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OBITUARY.

MAURICE ASHBEL MINER.

Maurice A. Miner, member of the A. PH. A. since 1880, died at his home in Chicago, December 11th. He was born near Randall, Wis., in 1849, and received his early education at Lake Geneva, Wis. Thereafter, he entered the School of Pharmacy of the University of Michigan and was graduated in 1871 with the degree of Ph.C. After further postgraduate work he engaged in the retail drug business at Lake Geneva.

In 1878, Mr. Miner came to Chicago as chemist for Morrisson, Plummer & Co. When the Northwestern University School of Pharmacy was organized he was elected member of the faculty and upon the death of Prof. Oscar Oldberg he succeeded him as professor of pharmacy. In the merger of this institution with the University of Illinois School of Pharmacy Professor Miner became professor of pharmacy, serving until his retirement several years thereafter.

A sketch of the deceased will be found in the September JOURNAL A. PH. A., for 1928. He was deeply interested in the ASSOCIATION; as a teacher, he was beloved by his students and, in his contact with co-workers, he was invariably considerate.

CHARLES GALE SHEDD.

The Manchester Union (New Hampshire) of November 17th contained the following item regarding the late Hon. Charles Gale Shedd, member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEU-TICAL ASSOCIATION:

"Keene and Cheshire county lost one of its most popular men Saturday, November 15th, when Charles Gale Shedd, former mayor and prominent business man, died suddenly from a heart attack in his place of business—the Bullard and Shedd Company of which he was proprietor. Mr. Shedd was 65 years old.

"Besides being one of Keene's veteran business men Mr. Shedd was actively interested in civic affairs, and within the past two weeks, he had been named as president of the Bureau of Public Service, and had mapped out a program for the organization in connection with its charitable work.

"Mr. Shedd was born in South Wallingford, Vt., a son of Capt. Charles W. and Sarah Doty Shedd. Previous to graduating from Keene High School, Mr. Shedd entered the employ of the Bullard and Foster Drug company at the age of 15 and became the owner of the store in 1899. On May 19th Mr. Shedd was given a testimonial dinner at the Cheshire House by his employees and friends in observance of the completion of 50 years in the drug business.

"Mr. Shedd was mayor of Keene in 1911– 1913, inclusive; he also served as a representative and state senator. Mr. Shedd was a former president of the Keene Chamber of Commerce and a member of the present board of directors. He was a past-president of the Keene Rotary club and the Keene Chorus club. He was a member of the Masonic bodies and a 33rd degree Mason. During the World war Mr. Shedd was in charge of a Red Cross supply station in Paris."

BENJAMIN LINDLEY MURRAY.

Benjamin L. Murray, member of the AMERI-CAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION since 1896, died at his home in Rahway, N. J., December 12th. He had been associated with Merck & Co. since 1897, and as chief chemist in charge of the control laboratory for a number of years.

Mr. Murray was born in Ypsilanti, Mich., August 4, 1870. He was an alumnus of the University of Michigan, graduating from this institution in 1897 as B.Sc. in chemistry. In 1905, he received the Master's degree from Columbia University.

The deceased was a member of U. S. P. X Revision Committee, and his advice and assistance were frequently sought by federal and state officials. He was author of "Standards and Tests for Reagent and C. P. Chemicals," and a member of a number of scientific societies of the United States and in foreign countries. He was a man of high ideals and contributed largely to improving standards of materia medica.

The deceased is survived by his widow and three sons.

CYRUS BURTON WARNE.

Members of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTI-CAL ASSOCIATION who attended the meeting at Rapid City, S. Dak., will recall the genial Cyrus B. Warne who took an active part in that convention, and many were saddened by his passing on November 1, 1930. Mr. Warne was born at Whitewater, Wis., June 17, 1879. As a youth he moved to Mitchell, S. Dak., with his parents. He was licensed to practice pharmacy in 1904 and established a drug business in Redfield soon thereafter, in which he was eminently successful.

A local paper spoke of him as follows:

"Redfield paused Wednesday in her activities to pay the last honors to one of her most beloved citizens. Seldom has there been a funeral where cold formality was more forgotten and all those gathered were one in the sorrow of the moment. For never did a man live in this community who was more universally respected and loved by everyone than was Cyrus B. Warne. And never was there one whose untimely death will cause a greater rift in the life of the entire community."

Mr. Warne stood high in Masonic circles, and the funeral services were conducted by the officers of South Dakota Grand Lodge. The pall bearers were: Rowland Jones, Jr.; Floyd Brown, Fred L. Vilas, H. J. Schnaidt, Henry Perriton, George Sherman, M. E. Crocket and T. C. Rutherford.

Other pharmacists of the state present at the funeral ceremonies were A. A. Woodward, D. F. Jones, E. R. Serles, E. M. Jones, F. S. Bockoven, Fred Smith, H. H. Humphrey, W. L. Buttz, S. H. Scallin, W. H. Scallin, Mitchell T. Weisflock and W. M. Michel.

The deceased is survived by his widow, to whom sympathy is expressed.

ARCHER T. DAVIS.

Archer T. Davis, prominent pharmacist of Decatur, Ill., and past-president of the Illinois Pharmaceutical Association and member of its Executive Committee, died in the Decatur and Mason County Hospital, Monday morning, December 22nd, following an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Davis was a member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION.

Archer T. Davis was born in Macon County, September 20, 1894. He was the youngest son of Amos T. and Mary Myers Davis. His paternal grandparents came to Illinois in 1829, being one of the pioneer settlers of the central part of the state. He obtained his education in the Decatur public schools, and was graduated from the Decatur high school in 1894.

In 1896 Mr. Davis opened a drug store on West Main Street, and remained at this location until the time of his death. The James Millikin University is near by, and Mr. Davis' drug store became closely identified with the traditions of the university, and enjoyed a large patronage from its students.

Mr. Davis was married to Miss Lucinda Whitfield, who survives him and two married daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Davis of Decatur and Mrs. Charlotte Whitfield of Aurora, Illinois.

The deceased had a deep interest in pharmaceutical organizations, and was especially active in the Illinois Pharmaceutical Association which he served successively as vicepresident, president and member of the Executive Committee. He presided at the fiftieth anniversary convention in Springfield last June, and took part in the annual meeting of the Executive Committee last month. He was not only an excellent pharmacist and a publicspirited citizen, but was also a man of fine personality and high character. He leaves a host of friends to mourn his passing.— W. B. D.

FRANK C. WATERBURY.

Frank C. Waterbury, founder of Waterbury Chemical Co., Des Moines, Iowa, and member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIA-TION, died December 8th, aged 64 years.

Mr. Waterbury was a native of Illinois and came to Iowa with his parents as a youth. He first engaged in retail pharmacy and thereafter organized the Waterbury Chemical Co. He took an active part in the Des Moines meeting of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION and exhibited considerable interest in the promotion of the Headquarters Building.

The deceased was also president of the Waterbury Investment Co. and of the Greenwood Investment Co., and a number of other large Iowa interests. He is survived by a widow and a son and daughter.

HENRY LEFFMANN.

Dr. Henry Leffmann died Christmas Day at his residence in Philadelphia, in his eightyfourth year. He was a native of Philadelphia.

From 1884 to 1887 and again from 1901 to 1902 he was port physician, also city chemist for a number of years. He was graduated from the Jefferson Medical College in 1869 and later taught chemistry there, and for many years at Wagner Free Institute of Science. In 1884 he was elected professor of chemistry at the Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery and in 1888 became professor of chemistry at the Women's Medical College of Pennsylvania, retaining that position until 1923. Dr. Leffmann also gave instruction in toxicology at Jefferson Medical College and for a number of years lectured at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science.

Dr. Leffmann was author of the fifth edition of "Analysis of Water," of three editions of "Analysis of Milk and Milk Products," of "Select Methods of Food Analysis;" he edited the last four editions of "Reese's Medical Jurisprudence and Toxicology," of Volumes I and II of the fourth editions of "Allens Commercial Organic Analysis;" translated from the German of "Sanitary Relations of Coal Tar Colors," by Theodor Weyl. Members of the Franklin Institute will recall the excellent book reviews published in its Journal.

He conversed in several languages and had a reading knowledge of quite a number. He achieved prominence as a chemico-legal and medico-legal expert in a number of noted trials in which he appeared while serving as city chemist, as chemist attached to the coroner's office, that of the city prosecutor's, and while serving as chemist for the Pennsylvania Dairy and Food Commission.

Mrs. Leffmann died about a year ago.

MARTIN J. NOLL.

Martin J. Noll, Field Secretary of Missouri Pharmaceutical Association, died December 6th, aged 56 years. The deceased was a native of Illinois. At the age of fourteen, he came to St. Louis and engaged as apprentice with C. G. Penny and, later, matriculated at St. Louis College of Pharmacy, from which institution he graduated in 1894.

Soon after graduation he engaged in the drug business in St. Louis on his own account, and at one time, he and a partner owned several stores, disposing of the last one in 1915. In succeeding periods Mr. Noll represented various pharmaceutical houses until, in 1924, he was elected Field Secretary of Missouri Pharmaceutical Association, in which capacity he served successfully and untiringly until his passing.

Mrs. Noll, a son, Edwin Raymond, and a daughter, Mrs. Florence Majers, survive the deceased.

Sympathy is expressed to the bereaved:

Mrs. Rhodes—wife of our fellow member, Charles R. Rhodes, of Hyndman, Pa., a former president of Pennsylvania Pharmaceutical Association—died December 1st.

Mrs. F. M. Tompkins, Washington, D. C., sister of Secretary Samuel C. Henry, died December 31st. The deceased had been in a local hospital for several weeks on account of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Mrs. George V. Haering, wife of our fellow member, former president of the C. R. D. A., died January 2nd. The deceased had been seriously ill for several months.

J. Walter Thompson, J. Walter Thompson Company, according to an appraisal filed December 31st, left a gross estate valued at more than two million dollars. The estate was divided equally between his widow, Margaret R. Thompson, and his son, Walter Roosevelt Thompson.

LEGAL AND LEGISLATIVE.

SALE OF DRUGS BY ITINERANT VENDER PROHIBITED IN LOUISIANA.

Section 12 of the medical practice act of Louisiana, provides as follows:

That any itinerant vendor of any drug, nostrum, ointment or application of any kind, intended for the treatment of disease or injury, or who may by writing, print, or other methods, profess to cure or treat disease or deformity by any drug, nostrum, manipulation or other expedient in this state, shall, if found guilty, be fined...or shall be imprisoned.

The J. R. Watkins Company entered into a contract with one Robert Lee Brown, one of the defendants in this case, to sell to Brown certain drugs, or medicines, on the condition, among others, that he make at least four times a year "a thorough and personal canvass" of the territory assigned to him for the purpose of selling these medicines. Brown was unable to fulfil the terms of the contract and suit was instituted against him, and his sureties, by the Watkins Company. The lower court gave judgment for Brown apparently on the ground that the contract was illegal as proposing the itinerant vending of drugs in contravention of the section quoted, and the Watkins Company appealed to the Court of Appeals of Louisiana, First Circuit.

The object of the medical practice act, said the court, was to regulate the practice of medi-